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General Information About the District

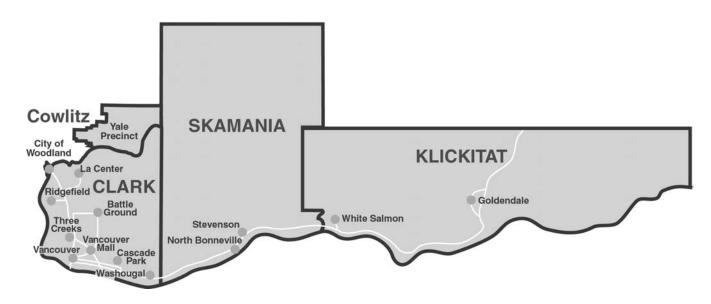
Fort Vancouver Regional Library District, headquartered in Vancouver, Washington, was established in 1950 as the first inter-county rural library district in the state.

The library district now serves the unincorporated areas of Clark, Skamania and Klickitat Counties and the cities of Battle Ground, Bingen, Goldendale, La Center, North Bonneville, Ridgefield, Stevenson, Vancouver, Washougal, White Salmon and Yacolt. It also serves the city of Woodland and the Yale Precinct in Cowlitz County.

With thirteen branch libraries, three bookmobiles, centralized support services and computer linkage, Fort Vancouver Regional Library District provides library and information resources for a population of more than 391,260. The more than 4,200 square-mile library service area includes farm, open range and national forest lands, communities along the Columbia River and expanding urban and industrial areas.

FVRL users enjoy access to more than 770,000 books, magazines, cassettes, CDs and videos. The library also borrows materials worldwide through interlibrary loan and locates hard-to-find answers through a District Information Services reference team. Library users have a wide range of information available to them not only inside the library, but also from home or work through the library's Web site. Users can search the online catalog and place holds on materials. They can also search licensed databases that are part of the library's electronic resources. Using these databases, library patrons can access full-text articles from thousands of magazines and newspapers, search for genealogy information, get credit ratings for businesses and organizations, explore theme-oriented reading lists to find a good book to read, and more.

Bookmobiles carry library services to rural and underserved areas. Branch libraries offer weekly story times for young children; summer reading programs for kids and teens; forums, lectures and book discussions for adults; and many other library events for all ages.



Direction for 2005

Mission

The Fort Vancouver Regional Library, as a governmental body in a democracy, exists: to protect the rights to, and to identify and meet the individual's need for full access to information. The Library will be an excellent and unbiased source of information for the people it serves. The Fort Vancouver Regional Library provides a lifelong learning resource, outside the formal education system, which enables each individual to acquire or to adapt the skills and knowledge necessary to: participate in self-government, be productive, elevate economic stature, enhance humanity, and contribute to enjoyment of life according to full exercise of free choice. (last revised 1989)

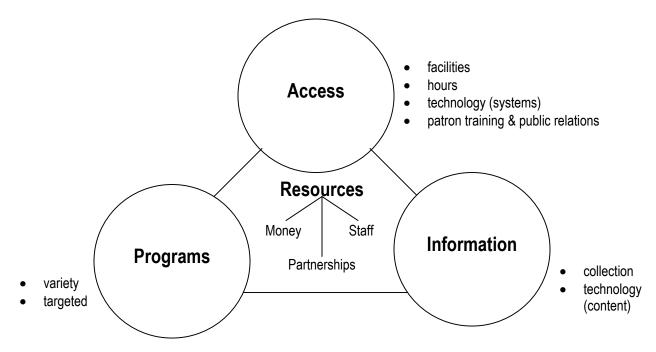
Values and Principles

These values and principles were identified at the Board's 2003 retreat:

- Services are provided free of charge
- FVRL is an efficient, well run organization
- FVRL operates within budget, maintaining adequate reserves
- Individual choice is fostered through a wide range of informational materials and programs
- FVRL is a designated public forum; a marketplace of ideas
- Service is provided equitably throughout the district
- The library does not exist in isolation but is an integral part of the community
- FVRL is the primary information source for the community
- Individual branch identity is encouraged
- Current, appropriate policies are maintained

Service Fundamentals

This diagram, developed at the retreat, illustrates the Board's basic service expectations:



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Goals

The following broad goals of the organization are based on the above service matrix:

Provide information

- Maintain a collection of diverse viewpoints in a variety of formats and media
- Maximize provision of electronic information resources
- Cultivate a well trained staff to enhance their value as a significant information resource

Provide access

- Provide a sufficient number of adequately sized library facilities
- Maximize the number of hours library facilities are open to the public
- Assure a well trained staff
- Provide timely, appropriate patron training
- Communicate about resources to patrons / obtain feedback
- Utilize technology to improve quality of access
- Recognize and communicate with staff

Provide programs that enhance information

- Provide a wide range of programs
- Continue to focus on underserved targeted audiences

Apply resources to reflect priorities set within this framework

- Partner with other organizations to achieve organizational goals when the benefit is sufficient
- Allocate staff to priority tasks
- Allocate funds to priority tasks

Priorities for 2005

Overall Priority

• **Strategic Planning.** The overarching priority for 2005 will be to conduct a successful strategic planning process and begin implementation. The process began in August 2004 and will culminate in the presentation of recommended results to the Board at the April 2005 retreat. The process FVRL will use relies heavily on community input. A district-wide planning committee, composed almost exclusively of community members, will meet in November and January to formulate suggested service priorities. Staff and the Board will provide reaction to the committee's recommendations and convert them to an action plan. This process will enhance our community centered service program for FVRL and increased visibility and perceived accountability in the community.

Access

- **Migration to a new Integrated Library System (ILS).** During 2005 FVRL staff will implement a new ILS to replace the Dynix system that has served the district since 1991. Selection of the successful vendor will be completed in the fall of 2004 with contract negotiations to be finished by the end of the year. Implementation and training will begin in the spring of 2005 with all branches and departments fully trained and operational by October 2005.
- **Building Projects.** FVRL will continue to support the efforts of Friends of the Library in Battle Ground and Woodland. The Battle Ground Friends have identified an alternative building site while the City continues to work on prospects for the Parkway and Main location. The \$115,000 bequest toward a new Woodland library has reinvigorated local fundraising efforts.

Programs

- **Emergent Literacy.** FVRL will continue its emphasis on early learning. Though some grant funding has expired we are endeavoring to keep the program afloat as we apply for additional funds. The FVRL Foundation is also actively engaged in fund raising for our early learning program. FVRL remains an active member of the local SELF (Support for Early Learning and Families) collaborative.
- **Teens.** We will continue to build on our successful teen program, which includes Teen Summer Reading, the Tales of Terror contest, Teen 'scape, and YAAB.
- **Community Service Programs.** FVRL offers approximately 3,000 programs per year attended by approximately 90,000 people. These programs encompass the full spectrum of age groups and interests and FVRL plans to conduct a similar level of programming in 2005. The number and nature of the programs will be influenced by the outcomes of the strategic planning process.

Information

- **Web Development.** We will continue to develop convenient access points on our Web site and through our catalog by creating search guides and resource links for high interest and frequently requested information.
- **Email Reference**. Our recently initiated email reference service will be monitored to determine if further development is warranted.
- **Collection Development**. We will begin a process of realigning our collection development priorities to reflect the strategic planning outcomes.

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Resources

- **Monitor Expenditures**. Expenditures will be closely monitored to maximize the likelihood that they will not exceed 2005 revenue.
- **New ILS**. Up to \$380,000 in designated reserve funds will be spent in 2005 to migrate to a new Integrated Library System. These funds were set aside from the 1990 special automation levy in anticipation of the need for a new system in 10 to 15 years.
- **Bond Measure or Lid Lift**. The need for new Vancouver and Cascade Park library facilities remains as strong as ever. There is also an urgent need for a levy lid lift due to the one percent property tax limitation instituted by I-747. It is likely that FVRL will undertake either a bond measure or levy lid lift in the fall of 2005. The results of the strategic planning process will provide important information about the direction FVRL should take regarding these two very important needs.
- **FVRL Foundation**. The library will continue to nurture its excellent relationship with the FVRL Foundation making a special effort to work cooperatively on programs and events of mutual interest and benefit.

2005 Budget Summary

Revenue

The 2005 budget is based on estimated revenue of \$14,801,360. This includes an increase of 1% over 2004 property tax revenue plus tax receipts from new construction for a total additional revenue that is \$586,354 above the 2004 actual revenue.

The IPD (Implicit Price Deflator mandated by Referendum 47 as the measure of inflation public entities must use to calculate revenue increases) is anticipated to be 2.6 %. Initiative 747 (which limits public entities to an annual revenue increase of 1% or the IPD, whichever is lower) will have an enormous impact on FVRL's budget in 2005. It is anticipated that a 1% increase will yield a tax rate of \$0.464/\$1,000. If FVRL could levy property tax at the IPD level (a 2.6% increase), an additional \$211,893 would be collected. At \$0.50/\$1,000 FVRL would collect an additional \$1,095,227.

The budget is balanced with an estimated 2004 ending fund balance of \$3,000,000 for a revenue total of \$17,801,360.

Property tax receipts for 2005 will include for the first time revenue from the Yale Valley in the amount of approximately \$60,000.

2005 revenue includes the following estimated amounts, in addition to property tax:

| \$198,000 | from the FVRL Foundation to cover the cost of the three Foundation staff |
|-----------|---|
| \$85,500 | from the Three Creeks Library Capital Facility Area to cover the cost of book purchases for the Three Creeks branch |
| \$31,800 | from Contract Libraries for automation services |
| \$75,000 | from Federal "e-rate" discounts |
| \$40,000 | from cable company "PEG" (Public, Education & Government) funds to cover part of the cost of FVRL's participation in the high-speed "iNet" telecommunications network |
| \$150,000 | from timber tax sales |

Expenditures

The 2005 FVRL regular budget includes expenditures of \$14,991,092. This is just \$189,732 over anticipated revenue, virtually assuring that expenditures will be equal to or less than revenue. In addition, we anticipate spending up to \$380,000 in reserve funds to acquire, install and train staff on a new ILS (Integrated Library System). These funds were set-aside for this purpose following the 1990 Excess Levy that initially funded FVRL automation.

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FVRL 2005 Budget Summary, continued

Actual revenue figures will not be available until January 2005, however, we must submit our budget to the counties in which we provide service by early October 2004 and therefore need to rely on estimates. The total budget of \$17,801,360 is balanced by an estimated 2005 Year End Fund Balance of \$2,430,268 (substantially lower due to the expenditure from reserve funds for the new ILS).

Additional noteworthy expenditures and savings for 2005 include the following:

Expenditures

- Incorporates the cost of the negotiated Union agreement (pending Union ratification and board approval) and a commensurate compensation increase for salaried staff, that includes reinstatement of a "step increase" on anniversary date plus a 2.5% across the board increase on January 1, 2005.
- Includes \$7,000 for expenses related to Strategic Planning, such as meeting facilitation and room rental. (Approximately \$20,000 will be spent on this project in 2004)
- Includes the first full year of operational expenses of approximately \$180,000 for the new La Center Community Library.
- Anticipates \$95,000 to open the polls for a Fall 2005 election.
- Continues participation in the MIX consortium in the amount of \$22,892, providing FVRL patrons free use of all library services from Multnomah, Clackamas & Washington County libraries.

Savings

- The training and travel budget remains substantially reduced at \$75,000 below the 2003 level.
- The amount budgeted for new books, magazines, etc. remains at the level to which it was reduced in 2003.
- Changes to FVRL's overdue notification schedule and books by mail procedures are expected to continue to produce savings in 2005. The supplies and postage budgets remains \$100,000 below the 2003 level.
- Anticipates a \$30,000 reduction in telecommunications expense due to a switch to the SawNet network in Skamania and Klickitat Counties.

Expense Category Distribution

Personnel – 65%

- Salaries
- Wages
- Benefits

Other Services / Charges – 17%

- Legal and consulting services
- Telecommunications
- Postage
- Advertising
- Rentals and leases of equipment and buildings
- Insurance
- Utilities
- Printing
- Training

Library Materials – 11%

Print, audio cassettes, videos, CDs and electronic resources

Supplies / Small Equipment – 5%

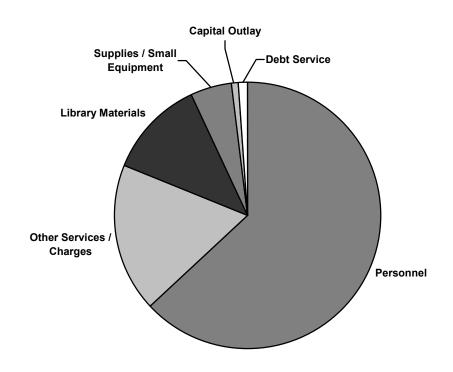
- General operating supplies, e.g., office, programming, processing, mail supplies
- Small equipment valued at less than \$5,000 per item, e.g., chairs, tables, computers

Capital Outlay – 1%

- Capital repairs on buildings
- Purchase of equipment exceeding \$5,000 per item

Debt Service – 1%

• Payment on Cascade Park property



| _ | Anticipated enues | 2004 PROPOSED BUDGET 08/2003 | 2004 APPROVED AMENDED BUDGET 04/2004 | 2005 PROPOSED REGULAR BUDGET 09/2004 |
|------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| ESTIMAT | ED BEGINNING ASSIGNED EQUITY 2003 CARRYFORWARD | \$ 3,300,000 | \$ 3,353,137 68,300 | \$ 3,000,000 |
| TOTAL ES | STIMATED BEGINNING ASSIGNED EQUITY | 3,300,000 | 3,421,437 | 3,000,000 |
| 311.10 | Property Taxes/Clark Co | 12,144,560 | 11,987,188 | 12,528,014 |
| 311.10 | Property Taxes/Cowlitz Co. | 154,000 | 169,367 | 175,893 |
| 311.10 | Property Taxes/Klickitat Co. | 738,324 | 705,784 | 727,904 |
| 311.10 | Property Taxes/Skamania Co. | 394,426 | 380,985 | 397,868 |
| | Subtotal Property Taxes | 13,431,311 | 13,243,324 | 13,829,678 |
| 311.11 | Other General Tax | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| 318.20 | Leasehold Excise Tax | 32,500 | 32,500 | 32,500 |
| | TOTAL TAXES | 13,563,811 | 13,375,824 | 13,962,178 |
| | VERNMENTAL | | | |
| 332.00 | Federal In-Lieu of Taxes | 5,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| 333.00 | Federal Grants | - | | |
| 334.00 | State Grants | - | 75,000 | |
| 334.00 | ESD #112 | 450,000 | 450.000 | 61,882 |
| 335.02 | State Forest Boards/Lands | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 |
| 338.72 338.72 | Contract - Three Creeks LCFA Contract - YVLD | 85,429 | 85,429 | 85,500 |
| 338.72 | PEG funds | 40,000 | 40,000 | 60,000 40,000 |
| 338.72 | Contract/Clark County Jail | 40,000 500 | 40,000 500 | 40,000 500 |
| 338.72 | Contract - City of White Salmon | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| 338.72 | Contract/City of Camas | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| 338.72 | Pass-thru/City of Camas | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 |
| 338.72 | Contract/Clark College | - | - | - |
| 338.72 | Pass-thru/Clark College | _ | _ | - |
| 338.72 | Contract/SW WA Medical Center | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| 338.72 | Pass-thru SW WA Medical Center | 4,700 | 4,700 | 4,700 |
| 338.72 | Library Foundation - Personnel | · - | 189,000 | 198,000 |
| | TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL | 317,729 | 577,729 | 633,682 |
| CHARGE | S FOR SERVICES | | | |
| 341.60 | Equipment Use Fees | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 |
| 347.21 | Non-Resident Borrower Fees | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| 347.90 | Lost/Damaged Material Fees | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| MISCELL | TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES ANEOUS | 51,000 | 51,000 | 51,000 |
| 361.11 | Investment Interest | 125,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| 362.00 | Rent - Battle Ground Property | 6,000 | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| 367.00 | Gifts/Contributions | 2,500 | 2,500 | 2,500 |
| 367.10 | Foundation - grants/donations | 188,311 | 75,000 | 10,000 |
| 369.90 | Other Miscellaneous | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| 369.90 | Other Miscellaneous - E-Rate | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 |
| 395.00 | Sale of Assets | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| | TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS | 407,811 | 219,500 | 154,500 |
| GRAND T | OTAL REVENUE | 14,340,351 | 14,224,053 | 14,801,360 |
| | EVENUES AND TED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE | 17,640,351 | 17,645,490 | 17,801,360 |

| | 05 Anticipated penditures | nditures BUDGET AMENDED BUDGET BUDGET BUDGET BUDGET | | ROPOSED AMENDED | 2005 PROPOSED AUTOMATION BUDGET 09/2004 | 2005 PROPOSED COMBINED BUDGET 09/2004 | | |
|----------------|-------------------------------|---|----|--------------------|---|---|----------|------------|
| PERSONA | AL SERVICES | 00/2003 | | 04/2004 | | 03/2004 | 09/2004 | 03/2004 |
| 572.00 | Personal Services | \$ 9,603,259 | \$ | 9,553,259 | \$ | 9,884,196 | \$30,000 | 9,914,196 |
| 572.28 | Unemployment | 10,000 | Ψ | 10,000 | • | 10,000 | 400,000 | 10,000 |
| | ERSONAL SERVICES | 9,613,259 | | 9,563,259 | | 9,894,196 | 30,000 | 9,924,196 |
| | | , , | | | | | , | , , |
| SUPPLIES | S/SMALL EQUIPMENT | | | | | | | |
| 572.30 | Supplies | 362,549 | | 362,549 | | 322,189 | | 322,189 |
| 572.35 & 3 | 38 Small Equipment | 274,500 | | 297,500 | | 274,000 | 257,500 | 531,500 |
| TOTAL SU | JPPLIES/SMALL EQUIPMENT | 637,049 | | 660,049 | | 596,189 | 257,500 | 853,689 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | MATERIALS | | | | | | | |
| 572.34 | Library Books/Materials | 1,472,515 | | 1,515,815 | | 1,501,143 | | 1,501,143 |
| 572.39 | Electronic Resources | 214,161 | | 214,161 | | 212,161 | | 212,161 |
| TOTAL LI | BRARY MATERIALS | 1,686,676 | | 1,729,976 | | 1,713,304 | | 1,713,304 |
| 071177 | | | | | | | | |
| | ERVICES/CHARGES | 544 500 | | 505.050 | | E40.40E | 00 500 | 222 225 |
| 572.41 | Professional Services | 544,580 | | 565,350 | | 548,125 | 82,500 | 630,625 |
| 572.42 | Communications | 603,358 | | 603,358 | | 584,558 | 40.000 | 584,558 |
| 572.43 | Training | 104,395 | | 104,395 | | 121,157 | 10,000 | 131,157 |
| 572.44 | Advertising | 37,000 | | 37,000 | | 32,000 | | 32,000 |
| 572.45 | Rentals/Leases | 255,493 | | 255,493 | | 292,920 | | 292,920 |
| 572.46 | Insurance | 130,000 | | 130,000 | | 130,000 | | 130,000 |
| 572.47 | Utilities | 235,650 | | 235,650 | | 238,650 | | 238,650 |
| 572.48 | Repairs/Maintenance | 315,917 | | 315,917 | | 336,646 | | 336,646 |
| 572.49 | Miscellaneous | 183,802 | | 187,802 | | 159,211 | | 159,211 |
| 572.50 | Intergovernmental Services | 124,925 2,535,120 | | 124,925 | | 126,192 | 02 500 | 126,192 |
| TOTAL | THER SERVICES/CHARGES | 2,535,120 | | 2,559,890 | | 2,569,459 | 92,500 | 2,661,959 |
| CAPITAL | OUTLAY | | | | | | | |
| 572.62 | Buildings/Non-Owned | 71,000 | | 71,000 | | 71,000 | | 71,000 |
| 594.62 | Buildings/Owned | 36,000 | | 36,000 | | 36,000 | | 36,000 |
| | Machinery/Equipment | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | 10,000 | | 10,000 |
| | APITAL OUTLAY | 127,000 | | 127,000 | | 117,000 | • | 117,000 |
| | | , | | 121,000 | | , | | , |
| DEBT SEI | RVICE | | | | | | | |
| 591.70 | Debt Service Principal | 48,504 | | 48,504 | | 53,799 | | 53,799 |
| 592.80 | Debt Service Interest | 40,640 | | 40,640 | | 35,345 | | 35,345 |
| TOTAL DE | EBT SERVICE | 89,144 | | 89,144 | | 89,144 | • | 89,144 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| GRAND T | OTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES | 14,688,248 | | 14,729,318 | | 14,979,292 | | 15,359,292 |
| | Contract libraries' pass-thru | 11,800 | | 11,800 | | 11,800 | | 11,800 |
| GRAND T | OTAL EXPENDITURES | 14,700,048 | | 14,741,118 | | 14,991,092 | 380,000 | 15,371,092 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| ESTIMATI | ED ENDING FUND BALANCE | 2,940,303 | | 2,904,372 | | 2,810,268 | | 2,430,268 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | KPENDITURES AND | | | | | | | |
| ESTIMA | TED ENDING FUND BALANCE | 17,640,351 | | 17,645,490 | | 17,801,360 | | 17,801,360 |
| | | | | | | | | |

| 2005 Designated Year End Fund Balance | 2004 APPROVED BUDGET 08/2003 | 2004 AMENDED BUDGET 04/2004 | 2005 PROPOSED BUDGET 09/2004 | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| REVOLVING FUND The Board has set a goal of no less than one month of operating expenditures with a target level of three months of operating expenditures to meet ongoing expenses until taxes are collected and adjust to a declining revenue cycle. | \$ 1,441,974 | \$ 1,441,974 | \$ 1,312,939 | |
| PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT FUND Funds for responding to opportunities to deal with growth and change in the District. | 737,339 | 737,339 | 737,339 | |
| BRAD PACE MEMORIAL FUND Funds in memory of Brad Pace to be used for books in Stevenson/North Bonneville. | 6,153 | 6,153 | 5,153 | |
| EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FUND Funds for equipment replacement and building improvements. | 185,568 | 185,568 | 185,568 | |
| 1990 SPECIAL LEVY | | | | |
| AUTOMATION FUND Funds to be used for a replacement Integrated Library System. | 517,000 | 517,000 | 137,000 | |
| BOOKS AND LIBRARY MATERIALS FUND Funds from 1990 Excess Levy for purchase of library materials responding to | | | | |
| collection needs. | 52,269 | 52,269 | 52,269 | |
| DESIGNATED YEAR END FUND BALANCE | \$ 2,940,303 | \$ 2,940,303 | \$ 2,430,268 | |

Appendices

Budget Procedures

Fort Vancouver Regional Library District adheres to the statutory provisions of RCW 27.12 and works in accordance with Library Board By-Laws in developing and approving the annual budget.

Budget appropriation is controlled by the fund level and any increase of the total budget appropriation must be authorized by the Board of Trustees.

The budget is prepared in accordance with the chart of accounts of the Budgeting, Accounting and Reporting System (BARS) prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor as authorized under RCW 43.09.200 and RCW 43.09.230.

Significant procedures in the budget process due to legislation requiring an estimated Preliminary Budget prior to setting the Levy amount:

- On or about April 1, the Executive Director issues the Budget Calendar and Budget Preparation Instructions.
- Budget requests are due from Administrative Team members by June 1.
- The Operations Director projects current year expenditures, year-end carryover, and anticipated revenue by July 1.
- The Executive Director prepares a preliminary draft budget for review by the Finance Committee prior to the September Board meeting.
- No later than the October board meeting, the Executive Director submits to the Board of Trustees a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year, commencing the following January 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- After conducting the public hearing, and prior to October 15, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution by the Board of Trustees.
- Copies of the adopted budget are submitted to the Boards of Commissioners of counties serviced by the FVRL District in October.

The budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by the Board of Trustees.

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments.

All appropriations not expended by December 31, will revert to the fund balance.

Revised 8/18/04

Fiscal Management Policy

The Fort Vancouver Regional Library District (FVRL), as a political subdivision of the state of Washington, recognizes it has financial responsibility for the management and investment of taxpayers' money. To set direction, monitor and review the library's financial health, and to fulfill the obligations of the public trust, the Board of Trustees of the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District establishes the following fiscal management policy:

- 1. FVRL will maintain an agreement with the Clark County Treasurer to serve as FVRL's fiscal agent per R.C.W. 27.12.160.
- 2. FVRL adopts the Clark County Investment Policy as the library's investment policy. The Library Executive Director will designate a fund manager as required in the county's policy.
- 3. FVRL will participate in the Clark County Investment Pool program.
- 4. To insure that operating expenses are not funded by short-term loans FVRL will maintain monies in its Designated Fund Balance Revolving Fund at no less than one month of operating expenditures with a target level of three months of operating expenditures.
- 5. The Executive Director will establish and maintain cash management procedures.
- 6. FVRL will not fund its general on-going operating expenses from excess levies that require recurring voter approval.
- 7. FVRL will follow the prescribed *Budget, Accounting, and Reporting System* (BARS) as outlined by the state of Washington.
- 8. No employee will be paid for more than 240 hours of vacation at time of separation from the library. FVRL does not provide for cash payment of accumulated sick leave at separation.
- 9. Financial reports shall be submitted to the Board no less frequently than quarterly. The Board shall receive a copy of the annual report after it is filed with the state of Washington.
- 10. FVRL will seek information about and take appropriate action concerning legislation affecting the funding of library districts.
- 11. FVRL will explore funding from multiple sources, e.g. grants, partnerships and fees.
- 12. The Finance Committee of the Board will review with the Executive Director the details of budget proposals and advise the full board concerning these matters.
- 13. By general policy, library branches will be built using bond funds, Library Capital Facility Area (LCFA) bond funds, special levies, fundraising and a modest amount of operating funds when appropriate.
- 14. FVRL is the custodian for accounts held under IRS plans 457 and 401A. The library has no liability for losses under such plans, but does have the duty of due care that would be required of a prudent investor. The library will not use the assets to satisfy the claims of general creditors.

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15. FVRL will maintain adequate insurance policies or self-insurance reserves to pay all claims against FVRL.

Board approved:

Original Policy: September 26, 1988 (for Fiscal Years 1989, 1990, 1991)
Revised Policy: October 14, 1991
Revised Policy: April 14, 1997 (for Fiscal Year 1997)
Revised Policy: May 14, 2001
Revised Policy: September 9, 2002
Revised Policy: June 10, 2003 Reaffirmed: September 13, 2004

